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in room for both, and there is no reason why their interests should clash.

The struggle in Formosa between the Chinese troops and the aborigines promises to be a protracted one. The former are not, apparently, able to make any noticeable progress in the work of subduing the island.

Fights that can be by no stretch of the imagination dignified into battles occur now and again, in which the Chinese commanders usually claim the advantage, but which, as a rule, remains with the savages, whose knowledge of the country and superior courage and hardihood enable them frequently to surprise their enemy, and do him most mortal injury. The *Formosa Herald* reports that a heavy engagement has recently taken place between the combatants, the result of which has been the abandonment of an entrenched position by the Chinese troops.

The Imperialists, however, claim a victory. If the honours of the field really belong to them, the victory, it must be admitted, was almost as disastrous in its consequences as a defeat. Such triumphs as these are certainly not calculated to cover Chinese arms with glory, neither are they likely to precipitate the conquest of the lawless and independent natives. The latter may hold out for an indefinite period of time, unless the Chinese send larger forces and more efficient commanders to the scene of hostilities. It seems most probable that they will not be able to subdue the aborigines; they will doubtless assert their supremacy by advancing into the country bit by bit, and holding the land, but the natives will finally be overpowered by numbers, but they will never, we doubt, be conquered by mere superiority of arms or generalship.

The decision arrived at yesterday by Mr. Russell, in the case of the Chinese shopkeepers in the Hollywood Road charged with using counterfeit trade marks, cannot fail to give satisfaction to the public. There is no kind of doubt the defendants were perfectly well aware that though they themselves did not sell the cigars as genuine Manillas, they would be retailed as such. Vast quantities of these spurious and inferior wares have been palmed off upon the unsuspecting

saunders who visit the port, and a good profit is doubtless made out of them by some one. Even supposing for a moment, however, that they are not sold much above their value, a fraud is still perpetrated. The vendors of pure Manilla cigars are injured both by being cheated out of their trade and getting a bad reputation for their wares. The consumer is also defrauded, for he is persuaded that he has bought the genuine article when it is really a wretched imitation. It is true the price should always be a guide, and doubtless to many, but there are others ignorant of it, or think they have dropped upon a bargain. We have little sympathy with the haggler who is always on the look-out for a bargain, and who is unwilling to give a fair price for his purchases; such people deserve now and then to be bitten; but the public ought to be protected from imposition as far as the law can do so. Especially is it necessary that a vigilant supervision should be kept over all articles of consumption. We trust the police will continue the crusade, they have commenced against the vendors of spurious and adulterated goods.

The bark *Frederick Bremer* arrived at San Francisco on the 1st ultimo, after a protracted passage of 126 days from Hongkong.

The *N. G. Daily News* says that the "war" market was opened in Shanghai, on the 2nd inst., if the term is applicable to what is only a continuation of up-and-down purchases.

The Principal Agent of the Messageries Maritimes Company has received a telegram, dated at the latter port, the 2nd inst., from Hongkong yesterday, to the effect—

The American ship *Malta*, which on her passage from Hongkong to San Francisco, encountered severe weather, and had to jettison a portion of her cargo, has been surveyed at the latter port. The decision of the surveyors was communicated to the owners, who instructed the Captain to advertise her for sale. She is now being transformed into a coasting vessel.

INQUEST ON A BODY FOUND NEAR THE WRECK OF THE "POYANG."

An inquest was held at the Lock Hospital, yesterday afternoon, on the body of a male adult, unknown. The jury were: Messrs. Shuttle, J. T. Chater, and Keating.

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